

# CEDARR Family Centers

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# Rhode Island CEDARR Family Centers



For children with  
special health care needs  
and their families



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If you think your child has a physical, developmental, behavioral or emotional problem that you are concerned about or if you are not sure what’s wrong, we’ll help you get answers to your questions.

For many parents, getting information and looking for the right services for your child is a full-time job.

## You are no longer alone.

At CEDARR Family Centers, we can help you—

- **LOCATE** clinical specialists and other services in your community,
- **CONNECT** with other families for information and support,
- **LEARN** about programs and services that may be available for your child,
- **COORDINATE** services with your child’s school, as well as any other program your child may be in.



A CEDARR Family Center is a one-stop place where you can get information and support to make the best decisions for your child.

We will work with you to develop a plan to meet the special needs of your child and your family.

Even if your child is already receiving services, CEDARR Family Centers can still be a resource to you and your child.





## Vision

**All Rhode Island children and their families have an evolving, family-centered, strength based system of care, dedicated to excellence, so they can reach their full potential and thrive in their own communities.**

Leadership Roundtable on Children with Special Health Care Needs

## CEDARR Family Centers

### What does CEDARR stand for?

- C** Comprehensive
- E** Evaluation
- D** Diagnosis
- A** Assessment
- R** Referral
- R** Re-evaluation

### What services are offered at CEDARR Family Centers?

All CEDARR Family Centers offer the following services:

- Initial Family Assessment
- Family Care Plan Development
- Specialty Clinical Evaluation
- Family Care Coordination Assistance
- Crisis Intervention Services

CEDARR Family Center services are available statewide.

### Who can get services at a CEDARR Family Center?

All children and families can get services.

### How much does it cost ?

CEDARR services can be paid for by your health plan, the Medical Assistance Program, or by the family , depending on your situation...

- If your child has employer-sponsored health coverage, check with your health plan to see if CEDARR services are covered.
- If your child is eligible for Medical Assistance, the CEDARR Family Center will bill the Medical Assistance Program for services.
- For those without insurance or if a health plan does not cover CEDARR services, payment arrangements can be made directly with the CEDARR Family Center directly for services.

### Who can refer children to a CEDARR Family Center?

Any of the following can refer children to CEDARR Family Centers:

- parents
- doctors
- schools
- community agencies
- Health Plans
- the Early Intervention Program
- Local Coordinating Councils for Children's Behavioral Health (LCC)
- other service providers

### If my child participates in another program, can I still go to a CEDARR Family Center?

Yes. CEDARR Family Centers will coordinate with any school district in Rhode Island, the Early Intervention Program, and the Local Coordinating Councils for Children's Behavioral Health, as well as any other service or program your child may be receiving.



## How can I get Medical Assistance for my child?

There are four ways that children may become eligible for Medical Assistance coverage:

### Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

If a child is eligible for Supplemental Security benefits because of a disability, then that child is also eligible to receive Medical Assistance. To see if you may be eligible, call 800-772-1213.

### Katie Beckett

Certain children under the age of 18 may be eligible for Medical Assistance if they have a disability and live at home. Only the child's income and resources (not their parents') are used to determine eligibility. This enables children with disabilities to be cared for at home instead of in an institution.

### RIte Care

Rhode Island's health insurance program for children and families provides comprehensive health care through enrollment in one of three participating Health Plans (United Healthcare, Neighborhood Health Plan, and Blue CHiP). Eligibility is based on a family's income and size. A family's resources, such as a house or car, are not used in determining eligibility.

### RIte Share

Children and their families may be eligible for Medical Assistance through the RIte Share Premium Assistance Program if one of the parents works for an employer who offers health insurance.